

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a session of the Public Service
Commission held at its office in
Jefferson City on the 12th day of
July, 2016.

In the Matter of Missouri-American)	
Water Company's Request for Authority to)	
Implement A General Rate Increase for)	File No. WR-2015-0301
Water and Sewer Service Provided in its)	
Missouri Service Area.)	

NOTICE REGARDING COMPLIANCE TARIFF SHEETS

Issue Date: July 12, 2016

On May 26, 2016, the Commission issued a report and order that rejected Missouri-American Water Company's tariff to increase the company's annual revenues from its provision of water and sewer service. However, the Commission authorized Missouri-American to file tariffs sufficient to recover revenues as determined in that report and order. Missouri-American filed its water compliance tariffs on June 20 and its sewer compliance tariffs on June 22.

Missouri-American's water compliance tariffs carry a 30-day effective date that would put those tariffs in effect on July 20. Its sewer compliance tariffs carry a 30-day effective date that would put those tariffs in effect on July 22. Missouri-American filed a motion along with its tariffs asking the Commission to expedite its consideration of the compliance tariffs and to approve those tariffs to go into effect on June 28, which is the date to which the Commission suspended Missouri-American's initial rate increase tariffs. In the alternative, Missouri-American asked the Commission to approve its tariffs to go into effect as soon as practicable.

Upon receiving Missouri-American's motions for expedited approval of its tariffs, the Commission issued an order directing its Staff to file a recommendation regarding Missouri-American's tariff by June 27. That order also directed any other party wishing to file a recommendation regarding Missouri-American's tariffs do so no later than June 27.

On June 27, the Commission's Staff filed its recommendation regarding Missouri-American's compliance tariffs and motion for expedited treatment. Staff concluded the tariffs comply with the Commission's report and order and recommended the Commission approve the compliance tariffs. On June 24, Public Counsel filed a pleading opposing Missouri-American's request for expedited approval of its compliance tariffs. Public Counsel contended the shortened time for approval would deny it a reasonable opportunity to review the compliance tariffs to determine whether those tariffs do in fact comply with the Commission's report and order. The Commission responded by allowing the parties until July 7 to file a response to Missouri-American's tariff or Staff's recommendation about that tariff. No such response has been filed.

The Commission has reviewed the proposed tariffs and Staff's recommendation. The Commission concludes the submitted compliance tariffs are consistent with the Commission's report and order. However, the Commission must give any order approving those tariffs at least a ten-day effective date, so the order, and tariffs approved by that order, could not take effect until July 22.¹ Thus, Missouri-American's compliance tariffs carry an effective date that will put them into effect before the Commission's order approving them could be effective. The Commission does not intend to take any action to suspend Missouri-American's compliance tariffs, so Missouri-American's water tariff will

¹ *State ex rel. Office of Public Counsel v. Pub. Serv. Comm'n*, 409 S.W.3d 522 (Mo. App. W.D. 2013).

take effect by operation of law on July 20, and its sewer tariffs will take effect by operation of law on July 22.



BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Morris L. Woodruff".

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

Hall, Chm., Stoll, Kenney,
Rupp, and Coleman, CC., concur.

Woodruff, Chief Regulatory Law Judge